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Sir:

1. I am William Sanford, the named inventor in this patent application.
2. I am a citizen of the United States, residing in Prescott Wisconsin and employed by the Smead Manufacturing Company, the assignee of this patent application, and have been so employed at least since the invention of this application.
3. Prior to the filing date of this invention on 17 October 2001, and at least as early as Oct 24, 2000, I conceived of the claimed invention.
4. After conception of the invention, I reduced the inventions to practice by making prototypes thereof. This conception and reduction to practice occurred before Oct. 24, 2000 because a prototype of the product was shown at the ARMA convention of that date.

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